near coastal locations is also being taken up.

(c) Solar Pond of area 240m^2 has successfully been stabilized at 80°C at Bangalore and currently the suitability of the Pond for providing process heat is being studied

Solar Pond of area 5000m^2 is under construction at Bhuj. The pond would provide hot water for the dairy.

Follow up action on Chari Committee Recommendations

1931 SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 145 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 21st November, 1988 and state:

(a) when the recommendations of the Chari Committee about 'Issues in Coal' were submitted to Government;

(b) which of the recommendations have been accepted by Government and with what results and which recommendations have been rejected/amended and what are the reasons for the same; and

(c) what is the implementation stage of each accepted recommendation.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COAL IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI C. K. JAFFAR SHARIEF): (a) Chari Committee submitted in February, 1988 the report 'ISSUES IN COAL' to the Advisory Board on Energy who had commissioned the study

(b) and (c) As per procedure prescribed, Advisory Board on Energy considered the report and submitted its recommendations to the Special Committee of Secretaries. The recommendations/observations made by the Special Committee of Secretaries have been received in September, 1988/January, 1989 and those are being processed for consideration of the Government

World Bank's displeasure over NTPC'S Dues

1932. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:
SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 593 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th February, 1989 and state:

(a) whether the World Bank has expressed its concern over the substantial sums that the State Electricity Boards owe to the National Thermal Power Corporation; and

(b) whether the World Bank has pointed out that in future funding will be linked to the recovery of the over dues by the NTPC?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI). (a) Yes Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

Financing the subsidies to the State Electricity Boards

1933 SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE
SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether in the State Power Ministers' Conference held in January last, he had warned that the whole power system in the country would collapse, if the State